

**MINUTES OF THE
POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS INTERIM COMMITTEE**
Wednesday, September 15, 2004 – 10:45 a.m. – W025 House Building

Members Present:

Sen. Carlene M. Walker, Senate Chair
Rep. Kory M. Holdaway, House Chair
Sen. Patrice M. Arent
Sen. Gregg S Bell
Sen. Lyle W. Hillyard
Rep. Eli H. Anderson
Rep. Roger E. Barrus
Rep. D. Gregg Buxton
Rep. David N. Cox
Rep. Scott Daniels

Rep. Brad L. Dee
Rep. Ann W. Hardy
Rep. M. Susan Lawrence
Rep. Joseph G. Murray

Members Absent:

Rep. Duane E. Bourdeaux

Staff Present:

Mr. Joseph T. Wade, Policy Analyst
Mr. Robert H. Rees, Associate General Counsel
Ms. Wendy L. Bangerter, Legislative Secretary

Note: A list of others present and a copy of related materials can be found at www.leg.utah.gov or by contacting the committee secretary, Wendy Bangerter, at 538-1032. A recording of the meeting is available from the committee secretary.

1. Committee Business

Chair Walker called the meeting to order at 10:50 a.m.

MOTION: Sen. Arent moved to approve the minutes of the August 18, 2004 meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

2. Sewer Service Outside a Local Government Entity

Rep. Jim Dunnigan introduced the issue of whether to require local government entities that provide sewer service to allow property outside the entity to hook into sewer service without annexing. This could transpire when the property to be served is up hill and it would be impractical to receive service from the entity in which the property is located. A diagram of the situation was distributed.

Mr. Mark McGrath expressed concern that a city should not be able to force a property holder to withdraw from their city and annex into another city in order to receive sewer service.

Ms. Jan Wells, Murray City Mayor's Office, explained Murray City's perspective that they were at capacity and had to initiate a tax increase to add just enough to take care of any future development in the city.

Rep. Dunnigan emphasized that he is open to recommendations for resolving this problem as he feels property owners should be able to develop their property and receive the necessary services.

Mr. McGrath was encouraged to try again to resolve this issue with Murray City before bringing legislation before the Committee.

3. Update on GIS Workgroup

Rep. Holdaway updated the Committee on the potential legislation.

Mr. Bert Granberg, AGRC (Automated Geographic Reference Center), gave a presentation regarding GIS and boundary-related issues. He distributed and reviewed a draft of recommendations from the cadastral data work group.

Mr. Sean Fernandez, UDOT (Utah Department of Transportation), explained the progress of the GPS (Global Positioning System). He also explained the role of the GPS as a collection tool for data for GIS (Geographic Information System) and RTS (Real Time Survey). He explained that new technology links all reference stations together and communicates over the internet. He further explained that UDOT has piloted a network using this new technology. He reviewed the future potential benefits and use of the system and questions regarding where to house and maintain it and how to fund it.

The Committee discussed the cooperative effort it would take to initiate and fund this program.

4. Other Business

None

5. Adjourn

MOTION: Rep. Buxton moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed unanimously with Sen. Arent and Rep. Anderson absent for the vote.

Chair Walker adjourned the meeting at 12:35 p.m.